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SUBJ: SYG REPORT ON NAMIBIA

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SUMMARY: PURSUANT REFTELS USUN HAS TALKED WITH ADDITIONAL DELS IN SC, NAMELY, KENYA, INDONESIA AND GUINEA. REACTION OF THESE DELS TO CONTINUATION OF MANDATE CAN BE DESCRIBED AS BEING FAVORABLE, BUT GUARDED. END SUMMARY.

1. WITHIN PAST WEEK USUN HAS SPOKEN WITH ODERO- JOWI (KENYA) ALONG LINES REFTEL A. ODERO- JOWI COMMENTED THAT HE FAVORED CONTINUATION OF SYG' S MANDATE, BUT HE THOUGHT THAT GUIDELINES SHOULD BE MODIFIED, PRESUMABLY TO MAKE IT TOUGHER ON SAG. HE COMMENTED, HOWEVER, THAT GOK DID NOT HAVE A FINAL POSITION ON THIS MATTER, BUT AT SAME TIME GAVE IMPRESSION THAT HE MAY HAVE CONSULTED WITH HIS GOVERNMENT.

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2. GONTHA (INDONESIA) ARGUED FOR EXTENSION OF SYG' S MANDATE, BUT SAID THAT INDONESIA WOULD GO ANY WAY AFRICANS WENT. HE SAW NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO CONTINUATION OF CONTACTS AND FELT THAT, IF SYG' S MANDATE WERE ENDED, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO BE MORE

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MILITANT ON QUESTION OF NAMIBIA. IF THIS WERE CASE, HE
COULD NOT SEE HOW A MORE MILITANT STANCE IN SC WOULD GET MUCH
SUPPORT.

3. CISSE (GUINEA) SAID THAT SHE WAS NOT HAPPY WITH SYG' S REPORT.
SHE WAS ATTRACTED BY IDEA OF SUSPENDING SYG' S MANDATE, BUT
LETTING HIM MAINTAIN CONTACTS WITH SAG. WHEN IT WAS POINTED
OUT THAT THIS WOULD BE A PROBLEM INASMUCH AS SYG WOULD HAVE NO
CLEAR MANDATE TO CONTINUE CONTACTS, SHE AGREED.
CISSE SAID THERE WAS NEED FOR AN ALGERNATIVE,
BUT SHE HAD NO ALTERNATIVE IN MIND AS OF MOMENT. SHE IMPLIED
THAT, WITHOUT AN ALTERNATIVE, SHE WOULD RELUCTANTLY GO ALONG
WITH AN EXTENSION OF SYG' S MANDATE. SHE SAID THAT SHE WOULD
CONSULT WITH HER FONMIN, WHO WILL BE ATTENDING OAU MEETING IN
ADDIS ON THIS MATTER. WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT SHE GET IN TOUCH
WITH SEBASTIAN AT OUR EMBASSY IN ADDIS TO CONTINUE DISCUSSION.

4. IN TALKING WITH DANES REGARDING NORDIC S ' LOBBYING FOR
CONTINUATION OF SYG' S MANDATE, WE UNDERSTAND THAT DANES PRIVATELY
HAVE BEEN ARGUING FOR EXTENSION. AFTER TALKING WITH US FURTHER
ON MATTER, THEY HAVE DECIDED TO GO BACK TO COPENHAGEN TO ASK
FOR SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO LOBBY OFFICIALLY FOR EXTENSION OF
SYG' S MANDATE.

5. COMMENT: RESPONSES TO DATE FROM SC DELS AND OTHER
DELS CONSULTED REGARDING EXTENSION OF SYG' S MANDATE GIVE
SOME HOPE TO POSSIBILITY THAT AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED
FOR EXTENSION OF HIS MANDATE. HOWEVER, PARTICULARLY IN
CASE OF AF' S, QUESTION WILL NOT BE FINALLY DECIDED UNTIL OAU
MEETING. THERE IS A RATHER STRONG CURRENT AMONG AF' S AND OTHER
DELS WHICH GOES AGAINST EXTENDING SYG' S MANDATE. THOSE NON- AF
DELS (EXCEPT FOR UK AND FRANCE) WHICH HAVE TOLD US PRIVATELY
THAT THEY WOULD BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT
EXTENSION OF SYG' S MANDATE WILL PROBABLY IN FINAL
ANALYSIS TAKE THEIR CUE FROM AF' S; AND, IF AF' S OPPOSE
EXTENSION, THESE DELS WILL OPPOSE IT ALSO. USUN WILL CONTINUE
ITS CONSULTATIONS AND WILL BE SEEING VON HIRSCHBERG MAY 17.
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WE WILL TRY TO SEE SYG PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR ADDIS.
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